

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

April 10, 2001

IN RE:

PETITION OF GASCO DISTRIBUTIONS SYSTEMS, INC. TO  
APPROVE BYRDSTOWN, TENNESSEE FRANCHISE

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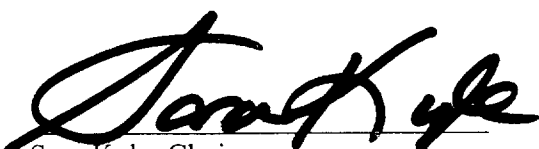
ORDER APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER ON THE MERITS

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This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on April 3, 2001, for appointment of a Hearing Officer to render a decision on the merits of the Petition of Gasco Distributions Systems, Inc. to Approve Byrdstown, Tennessee, Franchise. During the Authority Conference, the Directors unanimously appointed the General Counsel to act as Hearing Officer in this matter to make findings of fact and conclusions of law and to render an initial decision on the merits of the Petition pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-301.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

The General Counsel is appointed Hearing Officer in this matter to make findings of fact and conclusions of law, and to render an initial decision on the merits of the Petition pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-301.

  
Sara Kyle, Chairman

  
H. Lynn Greer, Jr., Director

  
Melvin J. Malone, Director

ATTEST:



K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary